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# NEWSLETTER

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#### 2022 GARBAGE COLLECTION INFORMATION

Garbage should be placed at the curb by 5:30 am.

January 5 to March 30: Wednesday only April 6 to October 26: Wednesday and Saturday November 2 to December 28: Wednesday only

#### **Garden Refuse:**

**Monday Collection April 4 to November 14** 

(Tuesdays May 31, July 5, and September 6 due to Monday holidays)

Recycling: Every Thursday (For Thanksgiving, Friday Nov. 25th)

Please remember that food and refuse are not recyclable.

Only put clean items in recycling. See the Borough website (harringtonparknj.gov)

for a full list of dos and don'ts of recycling.

Questions? Missed pick up? Call the Clerk at 201-768-1700.

## FROM THE TAX OFFICE

Tax payments are due on 2/1/2022. The grace period is 10 days; if payment is received after 2/10/2022, the interest charges will revert back to 2/01/2022. You can pay taxes online for a small fee. Click the Tax Collector



tab at harringtonpark.gov; click the link to pay taxes. You can also mail your tax payment or drop it in the box attached to the Borough Hall. If you require a receipt, please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope, and I will mail it to you.

Please put your PTR forms in our mail box and include your phone number. I will sign them and call you to arrange a time for pick up.

If you have any other questions, please visit our Borough website and select the Tax Collector tab, call me at 201-768-8185 (or the Tax Clerk at 201-768-1588), or e-mail cfocollector@harringtonparknj.gov.

The borough will be closed on February 21st in observance of Presidents Day.

## MAYOR & COUNCIL MEETINGS

Borough Hall:

7:00 pm

Agenda Meetings:

February 14, March 14

Regular Meetings:

January 18\*, February 22, March 21

Until further notice, all municipal meetings will take place through Zoom. For more information, visit www.harringtonparknj.gov.

#### CFO/Tax Collectors's Office

Kunjesh Trivedi 201-768-8185 9 am - 4 pm

#### Tax Assessor

Patrick Wilkins Monday 7 pm - 8:30 pm Excluding Holidays

#### Secretary to the Tax Assessor

Annie Mongelia Friday 12:30 pm - 4:00 pm HPTA@harringtonparknj.gov 201-768-8790

#### Ann Bistritz, RMC CMC CMR Admin

Registered Municipal Clerk Cert. Registrar Vital Statistics clerk@harringtonparknj.gov 201-768-1700

Raffle licenses Notary Public Registrar

#### Secretary to the Board of Health

Annie Mongelia Friday 12:30 pm - 4:00 pm BOH@harringtonparknj.gov 201-768-8790

#### **Health Inspector**

Louis Apa REHS Louisapa@yahoo.com 201-248-9837 (for appointments)



#### THE HARRINGTON PARK VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE CORPS



wishes everyone a very happy and healthy start to the New Year. Our organization looks forward to attending future events and serving our community throughout 2022. Last year, our team responded to over 250 calls (more than 80 were located in neighboring towns). The Harrington Park Ambulance Corp is committed

to providing the same dedication and support to our community in the upcoming. Our members take shifts being on- call and are ready at a moment's notice when someone needs medical attention.

It is important to note that we are currently looking for more people within the community to join our team. Please reach out to hpvac526@gmail.com or contact any member if you are interested in learning more about this opportunity. Our dynamic team is looking forward to wholeheartedly welcoming new members into the group. We also invite you to log on to our website **www.hpvac526.org** to find out more about our organization.



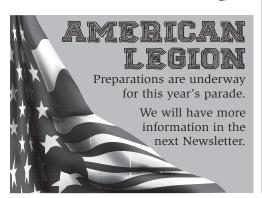
## THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Wants to make sure that you know that each household in the U.S. may order up to 4 free COVID-19 tests. Please visit special.usps.com to request yours.

Also. remember license your dog or cat by January 31, 2022! Use this link to get the latest form:

http://harringtonparknj.gov/ index.php/pet-licenses







of your live holiday decorations should removed from your home at this time. Leaving your tree up only invites danger to you and your family. For more information look up Christmas tree fires on YouTube.

The State Fire Code requires the Fire Marshal to inspect all food trucks. If you are planning on using a food truck at any family event, please contact us for the inspection. Many food truck vendors have serious violations that can cause damage to your property.

Be safe; ask for the inspection.

I can be reached at

fireprevention@ harringtonparknj.gov

- Tom Simpson

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#### **Building Department**

Debra Rielly 201-768-2585 Monday to Friday 10:00-2:30 building@harringtonparknj.gov Obtain permit applications, make payments, pick up processed permits.

**Inspections: 201-768-2585** 

#### **Construction Official**

Scott Wickersheim Wednesday 4:00-5:00 pm

#### **Building Inspector**

Robert Rusch Tuesday/Thursday 3:00-6:00 pm

#### Fire Subcode

Charles Batch Tuesday/Thursday 11:00-1:00 pm

#### **Zoning Official**

Joseph DeSalvo 201-768-7110 ZoningOfficial@harringtonparknj.gov

#### **Electric Inspector**

Frank "Duffy" Dyer Tuesday/Thursday 2:00-4:00 pm

#### **Plumbing Inspector**

Scott Wickersheim Tuesday/Thursday 3:00-6:00 pm

#### **Code Enforcement Property Maintenance**

Scott Wickersheim 862-701-1882 propertymaintenance@ harringtonparknj.gov

#### MUNICIPAL COURT

Ms. K. Viger, Court Administrator 85 Harriot Avenue / 201-768-0500 All questions pertaining to Municipal Court should be directed to Ms. Viger.

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 2:30-4:30 pm Tues & Fri 9:00-11:00 am Hours subject to change without advance notice.

Municipal Court is held the 2nd Thursday of the month at 4:00 pm Municipal Court Judge: Matthew Fierro

## INSIGHTS FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Our waste management problem has increased since some countries have stopped accepting our recycled plastic. Action is being taken by the NJ Legislature in a bill requiring plastic containers such as soda bottles, hard plastic containers, plastic film (e.g., trash bags), and other items to be made with up to 50% recycled content. It would reduce the environmental harm from using new plastic and litter and increase the value of recyclables, making our towns stronger. It is the strongest in the nation for creating a reusable materials economy.

Throughout the pandemic it has been hard to gather as a community, but we want you to know the Harrington Park Green Team and Environmental Commission (EC) have been very busy! In the past few months, we participated in the town Farmer's Market and sold our delicious local honey along with other environmentally friendly products. proceeds toward "green" projects in town. In November we worked with a small group of volunteers to refurbish the Beechwoods path with wood chips. Please take a walk there and enjoy the largest grove of beechwoods in NJ. It is a HP treasure. Cleatus Farms in Northvale offers the EC a discounted rate. We have been able to plant trees around town and 6 flowering bushes at Borough Hall. We now have our sights on creating a community garden, so please let us know if you are interested in participating!



## HARRINGTON PARK LIBRARY

LIBRARY HOURS:
MONDAY & THURSDAY
10:00AM-9:00PM
TUESDAY & FRIDAY
NOON - 5:00PM
WEDNESDAY
10:00AM - 5:00PM
SATURDAY
10:00AM - 1:00PM
CLOSED SUNDAYS

PHONE: 201-768-5675 EMAIL:HAPKCIRC@BCCLS.ORG HELDMAN@HARRINGTONPARK.BCCLS.ORG

#### From the Library:

The Library is open for regular hours for browsing and borrowing with an inside time limit of 45 minutes. Our computers remain unavailable for use at this time.

#### FACE MASKS MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES.

#### **NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS**

HP Library is a Collection Center for the Norwood's Church of the Holy Communion Food Pantry. The Food Pantry is in need of non-perishable items (not outdated please).

Always Needed: SOUP, CANNED VEGETABLES, MAC & CHEESE, OIL, COFFEE, TUNA, PARMELAT MILK, MEN'S & WOMEN'S DEODARANT.

The Food Pantry has asked us to thank all the HP residents for their generous & continued support.

#### **ADULT PROGRAMS**

(Dates to be announced)



VIRTUAL YOGA Yoga on the Mat will resume in mid-January.

VIRTUAL BINGO AND VINO Bingo & Vino in January

PAINT AND SIP Paint and Sip in February

"LOVE YOUR LIBRARY!" (FEBRUARY) Show a Little Love for your Little Library! Purchase a heart for \$10, \$15 or \$20. All proceeds will go toward our book budget. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

#### **CHILDRENS' PROGRAMS**

#### **VIRTUAL EVENTS**

Check our website or Facebook page for upcoming virtual programs, including a fun art event!

#### **STORYTIME** *Upstairs in the Library*

Registration limited to 10 children and 10 accompanying adults Tales for Tots: Ages 18 months and up Wednesdays 10:00 – 10:30am Little Listeners: Ages 3-5 Thursdays 10:00 – 10:30



*KIDS COOKING WITH FLAVORLABS* Join us for an interactive virtual cooking class! Monday, January 10 5:00 pm Grades K & Up

**RUBBER DUCKY CLUB** Year-Round-Preschool – Age 5. The Rubber Ducky Club builds vital skills in early childhood. Early literacy is encouraging your child to love language and books while having fun! Each child will receive a Rubber Ducky reading log with suggestions for 12 early literacy activities. After the parent and child complete an activity, they bring the reading log in and receive a rubber duck prize!

*MOVE AND READ WITH BENDY BOO* Virtual Bendy Bookworm Storytime February 10, 2022 1:00 pm. Ages: 8 and Under



## **NEWS FROM OUR HOUSES OF WORSHIP:**

#### **The Community Church in Harrington Park**

Steve Sayer, Pastor, 201-768-2457, www.cchpchurch.org, email: cchp@verizon.net
A lot of us have gotten a great deal of joy from Saturday Night Live down through the years. Would you
like a control-room view of how an episode is made? The Community Church in Harrington Park is hosting
a program by Harrington Park resident Bob Caminiti, who was the associate director of Saturday Night
Live for 25 years. Using video, Bob will take us into the control, where we can watch the directions given
to staff, editors, and camera operators and how those directions interface with the actors on the show. The
program will take place in Founders' Hall. This inside look at one of the most popular shows in the history
of American television will happen on Saturday, February 5, at 7pm. All are most welcome!

#### **Our Lady of Victories Church**

Rev. Wojciech B. Jaskowiak, Pastor; Rev. Edmond P. Ilg, Parochial Vicar 201-768-1706 website: olvhp.org

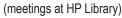
Weekend Mass Schedule Saturday 4:00pm & 5:00pm Sunday 7:00am, 8:00am Latin, 9:30am, 10:45am, 10:45am Family Mass (gym), 12:00noon, 1:00pm Spanish & 6:00pm.

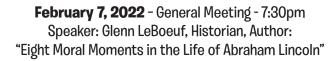


201-768-0819, www.standrewsharringtonpark.org Join us for livestream worship every Sunday morning at 10:15am



## The Historical Society





**March 7, 2022** - General Meeting - 7:30pm Speaker: William 'Pat' Schuber, Historian, Author, Professor: "Omaha Beach"

Please contact Gerri Gibney at 201 768-2615 or visit: harringtonparkhistoricalsociety.com with any questions.



#### GARDEN CLUB OF HARRINGTON PARK

President: Gerri Gibney, 201-768-2615 • www. gardenclubofharringtonpark.com

**Upcoming Meetings:** Meetings begin at 7:30 pm. All are welcome to join. For information: http://www.gardenclubofharringtonpark.com/ or email Gerri Gibney at themerchantmouse@aol.com

# RESIDENTIAL CERTIFICATE OF CONTINUED OCCUPANCY REQUIRED

Any rental, lease, or sale for any residential use will require the owner to apply for and secure a Certificate of Continued Occupancy from the Building Department. The resulting inspection is in addition to the Smoke Detector/ Carbon Monoxide Certificate, also filed through the Building Department.

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Club 60 We resumed activities in September after an 18 month hiatus due to the pandemic. Our fall events were well attended. Twelve new members were welcomed into our club. We resume our meetings on the second Friday of the month at Founders Hall, Community Church at 11:30. Upcoming spring trips include March 17th at The Shore Club in Spring Lake for a luncheon, dancing, and entertainment. For information about joining call Pete at 201 213-6641.

# FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK \_

T he Harrington Park Mayor and Council held the 118th Reorganization meeting on Sunday, January 2, 2022 at 12:00 pm. The following information contains highlights of the meeting. Jorden Pedersen who was re-elected in November and William Blackinton who was elected in November were sworn in by Borough Attorney, Mr. John R. Dineen. Father Wojciech Jaskowiak of Our Lady of Victories Church performed both the invocation and the benediction. Councilwoman Diane Walker was elected as the Council president for 2022. The 2022 Council is as follows:

Allan S. Napolitano
Planning Board, Board of Adjustment, Construction, Fire Department, Ambulance

Gregory Evanella
Blackinton
Board of Health, Environmental Commission

Diane Walker
DPW/Building and Grounds Sanitation, Recycling

Jorden Pedersen
Finance, Administration and Executive, Grants

Joon Chung
Recreation Commission, Liaison to the Board of Education, Public Information

The designated officers for the Fire Department and Ambulance Crops are as follows:

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Jesse Barragato
Assistant Chief Thomas Simpson
Captain Matt Hartman
First Lieutenant Joe Barron
Second Lieutenant Sean Misa
Second Lieutenant Ray Geller

#### **HP VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY #1**

President Dan Hartman Vice President Jeffrey Brockman Second Vice President Bill Sposa Secretary Michael Marzocchi Treasurer Robert Barker Sergeant of Arms Frank Murphy

#### **HP AMBULANCE CORPS**

Captain Craig Budinich Assistant Captain Hollie Arnold First Lieutenant Bruce Marshall President Eric Fishbein Vice President Jeff Walker Treasurer Jeff Pond Secretary Robin Martin

I welcome Ms. Gabrielle Weiner Karpati as an alternate to the Board of Health and Mr. Philip Lee as an alternate to the Planning Board. They both have much personal experience to bring to each Board. I thank them both for offering to serve our community.

## Mayor's Citizen of the Year 2021

As a result of his distinguished record of community service to Harrington Park, I declared Jeffrey Brockman "Citizen of the Year." Jeff diligently served on the Council from 2019-2021 and was Liaison to the Environmental Commission and Board of Health. A resident of Harrington Park since 2007 along with wife Dawn and daughters Sophia and Gia, Jeff is an active member of our Volunteer Fire Company, which he currently serves as Vice-President. Jeff also selflessly offered his time to many organizations, including Family Promise and Operation Gut and Pump. When the job market declined, he met weekly with affected residents for the purpose of career assistance. Jeff also was a co-founder of the Harrington Park Community Alliance where he helped to create the Harrington Park Farmers Market and the First Annual Home for the Holidays event. It is with sincere gratitude that I honor Jeff for all he has given to and accomplished for our town.



#### HARRINGTON PARK POLICE CHIEF

Chief Albert Maalouf has retired from the Harrington Park Police Department as of December 31, 2021. He has served our community since 1983 and had been Police Chief for ten years. I thank him for his dedication and professionalism and wish him well on his retirement.



Mr. Robert Murphy was sworn in as the new Harrington Park Police Department Chief at the Reorganization Meeting on January 2nd. I look forward to working with Chief Murphy and am confident that he will continue to serve our community well in this new capacity.

### winter weather tips and succestions

During winter snow storms, please:



- Keep your car(s) off the street so the plows can clear the whole road.
- As you look at your garage from the street, throw or plow the snow to the left side of the driveway.
- Do not throw or plow snow into the roadway.
- Place reflectors at your curb, or where your lawn meets the road, to help avoid having your lawn torn up.
- If at all possible, please consider adopting a senior member of our community who might need help or assistance during a storm.

## DEALING WITH COVID-19 IN 2022

As the nation on a whole sees an uptick in cases, I ask you again to please observe the basic recommendations from the various medical organizations. Protect yourself and your family. As always, thoroughly wash your hands and use sanitizer to prevent the spread of germs. Even if fully vaccinated, consider wearing a mask if you are indoors in a public area with high transmission possibilities. The CDC has now approved COVID-19 Vaccines for anyone 5 years or older. The vaccines are available to everyone and are free of charge. The vaccines are effective at helping prevent severe disease and death. Boosters are now also widely available for those eligible. You can find vaccination locations at www.vaccines.gov or by texting your zip code to 438829. If you have concerns about the Vaccination Program, please consult your family doctor.

STAY WELL STAY SAFE STAY POSITIVE

Mayor Paul Hoelscher

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